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SUBJ: UNHCR PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1974/75

1. DEPARTMENT HAS STUDIED CAREFULLY UNGA DOCUMENT A/ AC.96/ R.5 DATED MAY 9, 1973 WHICH WAS DEVELOPED ON BASIS OF UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED UNGA RESOLUTION 3043 (XXVII) WHICH US SUPPORTED. GIVEN NEW UN APPROACH TO PROGRAM BUDGETING, WE CONSIDER UNHCR' S ALTERNATE PROPOSAL WORKED OUT WITH SYG MAKES USEFUL ACCOMMODATIONS WITH UNHCR' S SPECIFIC PROBLEMS. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE CERTAIN CHANGES IN TEXT ARE HIGHLY DESIRABLE.

2. FYI: NEW PROCEDURE APPEARS FOR FIRST TIME TO MAKE
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UNHCR MATERIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBJECT NOT ONLY TO PRIOR REVIEW BY CENTRAL UN ORGANIZATIONS, BUT EVEN TO TRANSFER SUBSTANTIAL INITIATIVE FOR COUNTRY PROGRAM FORMULATION TO ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SERVICES (AMS). SO LONG AS RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM RESTED WITH UNHCR, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY UNHCR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, CENTRAL UN ORGANS DID NOT HAVE PRIOR REVIEW AND CONTROL OVER COUNTRY PROGRAMS. UNDER NEW FORMULA, IT WOULD APPEAR EVEN SELECTION OF COUNTRY PROGRAMS WOULD BE SUBJECT

TO PRIOR RECOMMENDATION BY ORGANS INVOLVING COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OF REFUGEES (E. G. PRC). WE FEEL MOREOVER THAT AMS BY ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE WOULD NOT BE ABLE OR SUFFICIENTLY EXPERIENCED IN REFUGEE MATTERS TO ASSUME BASIC RESPONSIBILITY ROLE IN INITIATING COUNTRY PROGRAMS. END FYI.

3. DEPARTMENT POSITION THEREFORE IS THAT USDEL SHOULD SEEK DELETION FROM LAST SENTENCE OF PARA. 13.19 OF PHRASE "BASED ON COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AS RECOMMENDED BY AMS". USDEL SHOULD SUPPORT THIS POSITION IN ANY FEASIBLE MANNER.

4. AS FALLBACK POSITION TO THE ABOVE, USDEL SHOULD SEEK REPLACEMENT LANGUAGE QUOTED ABOVE WITH PHRASE SUCH AS: "DEVELOPED BY UNHCR IN CONSULTATION AS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE WITH AMS". RUSH

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